



Clarksburg State Park

Department of Conservation and Recreation

JULY—AUGUST 2023 PROGRAMS

All Programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. For more information or to register call (413) 664-8345.

ONGOING, DAILY

NATURE CENTER OPEN, 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Located in the day-use area by the beach. Discover exhibits exploring the park story. Meet the Park Interpreter to get park tips. Check out a Discovery Backpack for self discovery. Guided group programs available with advance notice.

ONGOING, DAILY, THROUGH JULY 31

STORYWALK®

Enjoy a story, fresh air and exercise! This self-guided short walk takes you through part of the pond loop trail of Clarksburg State Park features the children's story book "A Day in a Forested Wetland" by Kevin Kurtz.

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson. This StoryWalk® is provided by Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation Interpretive Services.

ONGOING, DAILY, JUNE THROUGH OCTOBER

DISCOVERY BACKPACKS, 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Calling young explorers! Get more out of your park visit, borrow a Discovery Backpack! Each backpack has a different theme. Discover the mysteries of our natural world through a themed pack: **Birds, Bugs, Nature Explorer, Ponding, Rocks and Minerals, Tracking.** Reserve in-person with the Park Interpreter. Supplies are limited, first come-first served.

THURSDAYS, JULY 13, AUGUST 3, 10, 17 & 24

JUNIOR RANGERS, 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

For ages 8-12. Join us for hands-on and educational sessions on a variety of topics that explore the history and nature of the park. Meet at the Nature Center. Parents and siblings welcome.

FRIDAYS

KIDLEIDOSCOPE, 10:30—11:30 a.m., Nature Center

For ages 3-6, accompanied by an adult. Join us for a story, activity, and a craft. Siblings welcome.

FRIDAYS

CREATURES OF THE NIGHT, 7:00—8:00 p.m.

For campers of all ages. Each week features a different native nocturnal animal found in the park. Discover more about their life and habitat. Learn how to camp beside them. Meet at Campground Comfort Station

MORE PROGRAMS CONTINUED ON OTHER SIDE

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SATURDAYS

AQUATIC DETECTIVES, 2:00—3:30 p.m.,

Day-Use Swimming Area

For all ages. Get wet! Glimpse into the plants and animals that make Mausert's Pond their home. A different topic each week.

SUNDAYS

INTRO TO FISHING, 10:00—12:00 p.m.

Ages 15 and under. Learn to fish! Park Interpreter provides instruction and all of the necessary fishing equipment. Supplies are limited, or bring your own. Check at the Nature Center for fishing location in the Day-Use Area.

SPECIAL EVENTS

SATURDAYS, JULY 8 & 15

SUNSET HIKE, 8:00—9:00 p.m., Campers Beach

For campers of all ages. Meet the Park Interpreter and fellow campers for family-friendly story and a look at some of our local nighttime wildlife.

FRIDAY, JULY 7 & SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

GEOCACHING 101, 2:00—3:30 p.m., Nature Center

For all ages. Discover this treasure-hunting hobby. Go on a hike and learn how to use clues and a GPS device, navigate trails and find "treasures boxes". GPS devices on hand but feel free to bring your own. Supplies are limited.

JULY 9 —16

MOTH WEEK, Campground/Nature Center

All ages. Celebrate the beauty, life cycles, and habitats of moths. Moth-ers of all ages and abilities are encouraged to learn and observe moths at the park. Look for Moth activities and schedule at the Nature Center and in the campground.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

OWL PROWL, 8:00—9:30 p.m., Picnic Pavilion

All ages. Join us to discover the mysterious Barred Owl and his friends. Enjoy a hands-on activity exploring how these birds hunt and live in the forest. Take a short walk calling for our owl friends.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

SMOKEY BEAR BIRTHDAY BASH, 1:00—2:30 p.m.

All ages. Come to the Nature Center and celebrate Smokey's 79th Birthday! Visit with Smokey Bear and his friends from DCR Forest Fire Control to learn about forest fire safety.

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